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CIVIL: Constellation Design Group
 STRUCTURAL: Restl Designers, Inc.
 MECHANICAL: Whitman, Requardt & Associates, LLP
 ELECTRICAL: Diversified Engineering, Inc.
 LANDSCAPE: Mahan Rykiel Associates, Inc.
 TELECOMMUNICATIONS & SECURITY: Unlimited Systems Support, Inc.

FUNDING: Approximately \$26M, includes design, construction, furniture and equipment, and funds to enhance the collection.

SITE: 3 acre plot at corner of Montgomery Village and Christopher Avenues. Addition and renovation will be done at current library site. Current building will be gutted on interior and additional space added around perimeter along with a new second floor.

LIBRARY DESIGN & FEATURES:

- ◆ Upgraded and modernized facility with a minimum LEED Silver rating and energy efficient glass, heating, and cooling.
- ◆ Adult, children's and teen materials collection
- ◆ on main level of library building.
- ◆ 300 seat second floor meeting room with operable partition wall; small meeting room seating 95.
- ◆ Satellite offices of the Gilchrist Center.
- ◆ Location for coffee bar vendor in entry lobby
- ◆ with café type seating.
- ◆ Landscaped courtyard with exterior seating.
- ◆ Christopher Avenue in/out access with island traffic directing feature.
- ◆ Program room in children's area.
- ◆ 2 group study rooms for 6-8 individuals and 4 tutor rooms for 1-2 individuals in Adult Reading Room. 1 tutor room in Children's area for 1-2 individuals.
- ◆ Computer lab with 12 PCs.
- ◆ Language Discovery Center in Children's area.
- ◆ Separate Teen area with seating and collection.
- ◆ Family restroom in Children's area.
- ◆ Doorless entry restrooms.
- ◆ Ergonomically designed sit/stand workstations for staff at the checkout desk.

SIZE: 62,505 gross square feet, including a 43,350 gross square foot first floor and a 7,925 gross square foot second floor. The current Gaithersburg Library is 36,814 square feet on one level.

PARKING: 155 parking spaces for cars plus 4 spaces for motorcycles.

BOOKS & MATERIALS: In addition to the collection of approximately 181,000 volumes that will be stored and placed back on the shelves at opening, the Library Department will continue to purchase materials for the collection while the library is closed, as well as purchase approximately 10,000 volumes for a special enhanced opening day display.

TECHNOLOGY: 40 Internet Access PCs and 8 catalog PCs will be available for public use inside the building. There will be a computer lab with 12 PCs. New self checkout machines and a Video Relay Service workstation for the deaf and hearing impaired are also planned. The large meeting room on the second floor will have an audio loop system and there will be some listening stations with earphones. There will be cameras located in all areas of the building and on the exterior perimeter for security purposes.

TIMELINE FOR CONSTRUCTION:

May 2010: Application for building permits. Library closes to pack building contents and ready for storage.

June 2010: Library closed to pack building contents and ready for storage. Interim site rented. Request for proposal for construction bids on street.

July 2010: Construction bids received. Build out and finishing of Interim space completed.

August 2010: Construction bid awarded.

Tentative date to open Interim library in rental space.

End October 2010: Construction begins.

Spring 2012: Construction finished and occupancy permit issued.

Late Spring/Early Summer 2012: Renovated and enhanced Gaithersburg Library reopens.

The process to close a library and pack up the contents takes 6-8 weeks. The library will close on May 16, 2010 to provide sufficient time and personnel to complete the closedown of the current Gaithersburg Library building and the setup of the interim facility, tentatively scheduled to open in August 2010. Setup for the interim site is expected to take 4-6 weeks, including time to build out the rental space, move in furniture and shelving and place materials on the shelves.

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